

SENATE No. 1065

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anthony D. Galluccio

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to age restrictions for veterans applying to be police officers and firefighters.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Anthony D. Galluccio	Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex
Thomas M. McGee	Third Essex and Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
James E. Timilty	Bristol and Norfolk
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Theodore C. Speliotis	13th Essex
Allen J. McCarthy	7th Plymouth
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Kathi-Anne Reinstein	16th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S02560 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO AGE RESTRICTIONS FOR VETERANS APPLYING TO BE POLICE
OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority
of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 58A of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in its place
3 thereof the following section:-

4 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, in any city, town or
5 district that accepts this section, no person shall be eligible to have his name certified for original
6 appointment to the position of firefighter or police officer if such person has reached his thirty-
7 second birthday on the date of the entrance examination.

8 Notwithstanding the first sentence, a veteran who has not exceeded the maximum age set
9 forth in 10 U.S.C. 505(a) for original enlistment in the Armed Forces of the United States
10 shall be exempt from the age restriction imposed by this section.